GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:179
ANSWERED ON:29.11.2001
GAUGE CONVERSION
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a lot of work

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(e) A statement is relating to conversion of laid on the Table of the rail lines from meter gauge Sabha. to broad gauge is yet to be completed;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the present status of ongoing gauge conversion projects in different States alongwith allocation made therefor;

(d) the time by which the conversion work is likely to be completed; and

(e) the details of the rail lines which have been converted during the last three years alongwith the expenditure incurred thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NITISH KUMAR)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (e) of Starred Question No.179 by S/Shri K.E. Krishnamurthyand Dr. Ramkrishna Kusmaria to be answered in Lok Sabha on 29.11.2001 regarding Gauge conversion.

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Due to constraint of resources.

(c) A statement is attached as Appendix-I.

(d) No time-frame has been fixed. The progress of ongoing works would depend upon availability of resources in the coming years.

(e) A statement is attached as Appendix -II.

Appendix-I.

ROUTES DEVELOPED/LIKELY TO BE DEVELOPED DUE TO GAUGE CONVERSION UNDER PROJECT UNIGUAGE

i) Routes already developed

a. Bhatinda-Rewari
b. Delhi- Ahmedabad
c. Miraj-Bangalore-Mysore
d. Sawaimadhopur-Jodhpur-Jaisalmer
e. Guntur-Guntakal-Hospet-Vasco
f. Secunderabad-Dronachellam
g. Madras-Dindigul-Tuticorin
h. Manmad-Parlivaijnath
i. Parbhani-Mudkhed
j. Gondia-Chandafort
k. Allahabad-Chhapra
l. Muzaffarpur-Narkatiaganj-Gorakhpur
m. Guwahati-Dibrugarh
n. Marwar-Jodhpur-Bikaner

ii) The routes which will further get developed on completion of ongoing works are :

a. Secunderabad-Mudkhed-Adilabad
b. Kanpur-Kasganj-Mathura
c. Miraj-Latur
d. New Jalpaiguri-Silliguri-New Bongaigaon
e. Luni-Munabao
f. Gandhidham-Palanpur
g. Hassan-Mangalore
h. Ajmer-Chhitaurgarh-Ratlam
i. Dharmavaram-Pakala-Katpadi-Villupuram
j. Salem-Cuddalore

Appendix -II.

S.No.	Name of the Project	Cost
1.	Reconnaissance Engg.-cum-Traffic Survey for a new BG line between Indore and Budni (260 km)	
2.	Preliminary Engg.-cum-Traffic Survey for third and fourth lines between Virar and Ahmedabad	
3.	Reconnaissance Engg.-cum-Traffic Survey for new BG line between Dausa and Gangapur City (70 km)	
4.	Reconnaissance Preliminary Engg.-cum-Traffic Survey for conversion of Bhavnagar-Surendranagar MG line into BG and extension of converted line from Bhavnagar to Pipavav via Alang	
5.	Conversion of Existing MG line into BG between Mhow and Ratlam	
6.	Conversion of Mhow-Khandwa including Final Location Survey for Ghat section	
7.	Construction of a Rail-cum-road bridge across the Gulf of Combay.	
8.	Survey for connecting Gandhinagar on main line between	

Ahmedabad-Delhi

9. Engg.-cum-Traffic Survey for conversion of Dharangadhra Kuda Salt siding MG to BG (33 km)

10. Survey for gauge conversion of Rewari-Ringus-Phulera (215 km)